

REMARKS

Reconsideration is respectfully requested.

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Claims 3-4, 6-26 and 28-33 are pending. Claims 8-20 have previously been withdrawn and claim 5 has previously been canceled. Claims 1, 2 and 27 are canceled herein.

10 Claims 1, 6 and 7 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Tsuchida et al. Claims 27 and 30-32 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Tsuchida et al as applied to 1, 6 and 7 above. Claims 21-26 and 33 are allowed and claims 2-4, 28 and 29 stand objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim.

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Claims 3 and 4 have been amended to incorporate the subject matter of canceled claim 1 and become independent claims. Claims 6 and 7 have been amended to change their dependency to claim 4. With these amendments the claims all contain subject matter which the examiner previously admitted
20 to be allowable. Therefore the 102(b) rejection should be withdrawn and claims 3-7 should all be allowed.

By the same token, claim 28 has been amended to incorporate the subject matter of canceled claim 27 and become an independent claim. Claims 29,
25 30, 31 and 32 have amended to change their dependency to claim 28.

With the amendments to the claims described above, all the claims are in condition for allowance.

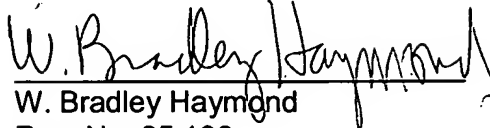
30 Applicants therefore request that the above rejections be withdrawn and that the present application be allowed.

Respectfully submitted,

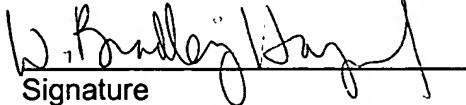
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